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SUBJECT: ICFTU/ORIT VISIT TO ARGENTINA: ARGENTINE SEAT

ON THE ILO GOVERNING BODY

REF: BUENOS AIRES 3072

1. AIFLD REGIONAL ADVISOR ETCHEVERRY, WHO ARRIVED IN BUENOS AIRES THIS WEEK, ASSURES US THAT OUR INTERPRETATION REGARDING THE ICFTU'S STRATEGY FOR ILO GOVERNING BODY ELECTIONS, BASED ON REMARKS IMPARTED TO US BY ICFTU REPRESENTATIVE ENZO FRISO, IS CORRECT IN ONE DETAIL. ETCHEVERRY BELIEVES THAT ICFTU'S PLAN IS TO PROMOTE CONFIDENTIAL

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VENEZUELAN GONZALES NAVARRO FOR THE "LATIN AMERICAN" CHAIRS ON THE WORKER DELEGATION ON THE FIRST LIST WITH AN ARGENTINE ON THE SECOND LIST, I.E., AS "SUPLENTE". THE ARGENTINE CANDIDATE WOULD BE ONE YET TO BE WORKED OUT WITH THE "COMMITTEE OF 5" AND "THE 25." THE IDEA, ACCORDING TO ETCHEVERRY, IS THAT GONZALES NAVARRO, ONCE ELECTED, WOULD ALLOW HIS ARGENTINE "SUPLENTE" TO

TAKE HIS PLACE ON THE WORKER DELEGATION IN PRACTICE AND TOPLAY AN ACTIVE ROLE.

- 2. ETCHEVERRY HAD EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH FRISO AND ORIT SECRETARY GENERAL DEL PINO DURING THEIR RECENT VISITS TO ARGENTINA AND MONTEVIDEO AND WE DEFER TO HIS UNDERSTANDING ON THIS QUESTION, WHICH CERTAINLY APPEARS TO MAKE MORE SENSE THAN THE VERSION WE REPORTED IN REFTEL.
- 3. ETCHEVERRY BELIEVES THAT CASILDO HERRERAS' TELEGRAM MAKING KNOWN HIS DECISION NOT TO RUN FOR RE-ELECTION IS THE OPENING ROUND OF THE ICFTU STRATEGY.
- 4. COMMENT: FRISO'S INFORMATION ON THIS POINT WAS IMPARTED TO ETCHEVERRY AND LABATT ON CONFIDENTIAL BASIS. REQUEST ADDRESSEES TO PROTECT AND DEPARTMENT PARTICULARLY TOASK US TRADE UNION END USERS TO EXERCISE APPROPRIATE DISCRETION.

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